

**Minutes of the City of Frederick
Mayor and Board of Aldermen Regular Meeting**

October 21, 2021

7:00 p.m.

City Hall

- I. Mayor Michael O'Connor presided. Present were Aldermen Kelly Russell, Derek Shackelford, Roger Wilson, and Ben MacShane and Alderwoman Donna Kuzemchak. Also present were City Attorney Sandra Nickols and Legislative Clerk Phyllis Hane.
- II. Mayor O'Connor led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- III. There was no invocation.
- IV. There were no presentations.
- V. The minutes of the September 16, 2021 Regular Public Meeting were previously distributed. On a motion made by Alderman Wilson and seconded by Alderman Russell the Board voted 4-0-1, with Alderwoman Kuzemchak abstained, to approve the minutes.
- VI. There were no closed meetings to report.
- VII. Mayor O'Connor had no comments.
- VIII. During Aldermanic comments, Alderman Russell noted the upcoming anniversary of the passing of Officer Bremer, an officer in the Frederick Police Department who was killed in the line of duty on October 23, 2008, asking that everyone take a moment to remember him and his sacrifice.

Alderwoman Kuzemchak noted this would be the last public meeting prior to Halloween and wished everyone a happy Halloween, reminding them to be safe and watch for children trick or treating.
- IX. Public comments were received.
- X. Consent Agenda
 - A. Special Ordinance
 - 1. Mayor O'Connor pulled item A.1 from the consent agenda in order to consider it along with item XI.7, for which it provides funding.

B. Grants

On a motion made by Alderwoman Kuzemchak and seconded by Alderman Wilson the Board approved 5-0 consent agenda item B.1:

1. Acceptance of a Save our Venues Grant from the Small Business Administration in the amount of \$877,620.50 to help offset expenses and lost revenue for the Weinberg Center for the Arts.

XI. Public Hearing

1. On a motion made by Alderman Russell and seconded by Alderwoman Kuzemchak the Board approved 5-0 an extension of the Frederick Keys Baseball Club Stadium Lease dated May 1, 2021. There were no public comments.
2. On a motion made by Alderman Russell and seconded by Alderman Wilson the Board approved 5-0 a purchase order for Metropolitan Protective Security Services in the amount of \$60,000. There were no public comments.
3. On a motion made by Alderman Shackelford and seconded by Alderwoman Kuzemchak the Board approved 5-0 a purchase order in the amount of \$210,000 to Denali Water Solutions, LLC for residual removal from the decant pond at Lingnore Water Treatment Plant. There were no public comments.
4. On a motion made by Alderman Russell and seconded by Alderwoman Kuzemchak the Board approved 5-0 Resolution 21-14 concerning Vision Zero. There were no public comments.
5. On a motion made by Alderwoman Kuzemchak and seconded by Alderman Shackelford the Board approved 5-0 Ordinance G-21-23 to amend § 5-15 of the Frederick City Code concerning demolition permits and the demolition review process. There were no public comments.
6. On a motion made by Alderwoman Kuzemchak and seconded by Alderman Russell the Board approved 5-0 Ordinance G-21-24 to amend §423 of the Land Management Code concerning the demolition review process and the historic preservation overlay district. There were no public comments.
7. On a motion made by Alderwoman Kuzemchak and seconded by Alderman Russell the Board approved 5-0 Ordinance G-21-25 revising the Fiscal Year 2022 Position Schedule by adding a new position within the Planning Division. There were no public comments.

On a motion made by Alderwoman Kuzemchak and seconded by Alderman Russell the Board approved 5-0 consent agenda item A.1, Special Ordinance S-21-24 to amend the FY 22 Budget to include revenue and expenditures associated with revenue from plans review. There were no public comments.

8. The Board considered items related to a COVID-19 vaccination incentive/reward program.
 - a. On a motion made by Alderman Wilson and seconded by Alderman Russell the Board approved 3-2, with Aldermen Russell, Shackelford, and Wilson in favor and Alderwoman Kuzemchak and Alderman MacShane opposed, Resolution 21-15 concerning a COVID-19 vaccination incentive/reward program. Public comments were received.

- b. On a motion made by Alderman Russell and seconded by Alderman Wilson the Board approved 3-2, with Aldermen Russell, Shackelford, and Wilson in favor and Alderwoman Kuzemchak and Alderman MacShane opposed, a Memorandum of Understanding with the Fraternal Order of Police, Francis Scott Key Lodge #91 for a COVID-19 vaccination incentive/reward program for sworn officers and student-officers.
- c. On a motion made by Alderman Russell and seconded by Alderman Wilson the Board voted 3-2, with Aldermen Russell, Shackelford, and Wilson in favor and Alderwoman Kuzemchak and Alderman MacShane opposed, in favor of a Special Ordinance to amend the Fiscal Year 2022 budget to include revenue and expenditures for a COVID-19 vaccine incentive/reward program. Four favorable votes are required to approve a special ordinance to amend the budget; therefore the motion failed and the special ordinance is not approved.

- XII. There were no appointments.
- XIII. During Aldermanic comments and new business, Alderman Russell expressed her appreciation to the staff who had attended the meeting.
- XIV. The Mayor stated he appreciated the evening's debate with his colleagues and everyone's feelings on the issues.
- XV. There were no committee reports.
- XVI. There were no director reports.
- XVII. There were no additional public comments.

There being no further official business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Phyllis Hane
Legislative Clerk